

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1696

March 30, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the calorie content of food items in food service establishments be made public by July 1, 2007 and requires each establishment to post calorie content for each menu item on menu boards and menus.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$891,200 Recurring
\$35,200 One-Time**

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - \$445,600*
Increase Local Govt. Revenues - \$445,600

Assumptions:

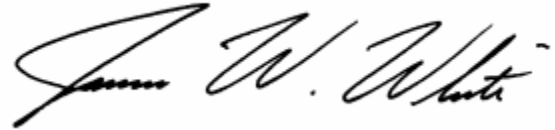
- Nutritional content is not considered to be part of a facility environmental health and safety inspection under present regulations.
- Currently the Department of Health employs 71 Environmental Health Specialist 3 positions in eight field offices throughout the state. Each environmentalist averages 760 facility inspections per year. Each inspection takes approximately 45 minutes from the time the environmentalist enters the door until he or she leaves. Such time does not include travel or administrative time.
- The Department of Health will need an additional Environmental Health Specialist 3 position in each field office to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.
- The increase in recurring state expenditures for the addition of eight Environmental Health Specialist positions is estimated at \$445,600 which includes: \$275,520 for salaries, \$96,432 for employee benefits, \$24,000 for travel, \$11,200 communications, \$5,600 for supplies, and \$32,800 for rentals and insurance.
- The increase in one-time state expenditures is estimated to be \$31,200 for supplies.
- The Department of Health has a contractual agreement with these local governments to provide the funds for services. Such will result in an increase in state expenditures of \$445,600 and an increase in local government revenues and expenditures of \$445,600.

- The Department of Environment and Conservation estimates there will be an increase in one-time state expenditures of \$4,000 for the State park restaurants to print new menus, new banquet menu guides and table tents concerning daily buffet items.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director